IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 6, 11 and 12-14, add new claims 16-19 and rewrite claims 7-8, 10 and 15, as follows:

1.-5. (Canceled)

6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently amended) The hose coupling, as claimed in claim ~~6~~ 15, wherein the radial surface areas of the cams are inclined in relation to the tangential direction.

8. (Currently amended) The hose coupling, as claimed in claim ~~6~~ 15, wherein the cam ring has an annular front face radially inwardly of the cams and an annular undercut groove is recessed in the annular front face for receiving a shaped sealing ring having a sealing lip which protrudes axially beyond the front face of the cam ring.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently amended) The hose coupling, as claimed in claim ~~6~~ 15, wherein blocking means are provided for locking the pair of coupling members with each other in a coupled condition.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently amended) A symmetrical hose coupling comprising a pair of like coupling members, each of the coupling members having a cylindrical hose attachment connector and a cam ring integrally formed in one piece with the cylindrical hose attachment connector, said connector having an outside diameter, the cam ring having a plurality of ~~integral~~ cams integrally formed in one piece with the cam ring being arranged on the periphery of the cam ring and projecting from the cam ring in a radial direction, said cams having a radial width and projecting ~~radially~~ with their radial width beyond the outside diameter of the cylindrical hose attachment connector for defining the largest outside diameter of said coupling which is larger than the outside diameter of said connector by the radial width dimension of the cams, said cams being hook-shaped in a tangential direction of the cam ring and each having a radial surface area for transmitting an axial force, and the cams of the coupling members engaging into each other during coupling such that the radial surface areas engage behind each other.

16. (New) A symmetrical hose coupling comprising a pair of like coupling members, each of the coupling members having a cylindrical hose attachment connector and a cam ring integrally formed in one piece with the cylindrical hose attachment connector, said cam ring having an end surface and a peripheral surface, said connector having an outside diameter, the cam ring having a plurality of cams integrally formed in one piece with the cam ring and arranged on the periphery of the cam ring, said cams having an axial end face, said cams being hook-shaped in a tangential direction of the cam ring and each having a radial surface area for transmitting an axial force, and the cams of the coupling members engaging into each other during coupling such that the radial surface areas engage behind each other and such that the axial end face of the cams of one coupling member remain free in the axial direction and do not lie opposed to a surface of the cams or the cam ring of the other coupling member.

17. (New) The hose coupling, as claimed in claim 16, wherein the radial surface areas of the cams are inclined in relation to the tangential direction.

18. (New) The hose coupling, as claimed in claim 16, wherein the cam ring has an annular front face radially inwardly of the cams and an annular undercut groove is recessed in the annular front face for receiving a shaped sealing ring having a sealing lip which protrudes axially beyond the front face of the cam ring.

19. (New) The hose coupling, as claimed in claim 16, wherein blocking means are provided for locking the pair of coupling members with each other in a coupled condition.